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SUBJECT: IEA NUCLEAR SUB-GROUP

1. SECRETARIAT IS CONSIDERING -- BUT HAS NOT YET
FORMALLY PROPOSED -- POSTPONEMENT OF NUCLEAR SUB-GROUP
MEETING NOW SCHEDULED FOR MAY 17 TO JUNE 4-5. REASON
IS THAT SECRETARIAT HAS YET TO RECEIVE QUESTIONNAIRE
RESPONSES FROM OVER HALF OF MEMBER COUNTRIES, INCLUDING
SEVERAL KEY GOVERNMENTS. UK AND JAPAN HAVE NOT YET
SUBMITTED QUESTIONNAIRE AND GERMAN RESPONSE IS THUS
FAR ONLY PARTIAL. VERY FEW COUNTRIES HAVE SUBMITTED
REQUESTED INFORMATION ON CONSTRAINTS UNDER TASKS 2
AND 5 OF WORK PROGRAM.

2. SECRETARIAT IS MAINTAINING PRESSURE ON THOSE
COUNTRIES WHO HAVE NOT YET RESPONDED BUT IS UNABLE
TO COMPLETE ANALYTICAL PREPARATIONS FOR MEETING IN THE
ABSENCE OF INFORMATION FROM KEY GOVERNMENTS. THEIR
VIEW IS THAT A WELL-PREPARED, TWO-DAY MEETING IN
EARLY JUNE WOULD BE BETTER THAN A ONE DAY MEETING IN
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MAY. IN SECRETARIAT'S VIEW, EARLY JUNE MEETING WOULD
STILL PERMIT TIMELY INPUT TO INFCE. ACCORDING TO
SECRETARIAT, CHAIRMAN VON BULOW HAS NOT YET TAKEN FIRM
POSITION BUT IS LEANING TOWARD POSTPONEMENT.

3. MISSION COMMENT: IN MISSION'S VIEW MAJOR
DRAWBACK TO POSTPONEMENT OF MEETING WOULD BE POSSIBLE

DELAY IN IUREP FOLLOW-UP MEETING CONTEMPLATED FOR
AFTER SUB-GROUP MEETING. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
WASHINGTON'S REACTIONS TO POSSIBLE SUB-GROUP POSTPONE-
MENT.
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